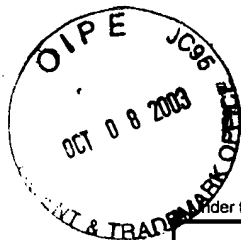


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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**
 - a. ☒ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
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 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☒ Other Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed May 1, 2003
 - b. ☒ Enclosed
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 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:2801 385.00 DA
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time
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